Rate of power supplied to railways

†1880. SHRI RAM JETHMALANI:
SHRI KAPIL SIBAL:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) from which institutions the Railways purchase power and the annual quantum from each; and

(b) at which rates power to Railways is being provided by each power producing or distributing institution?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA): (a) and (b) Power for traction is being purchased from 17 State Electricity Boards (SEBs) and 3 power companies *viz.* Damodar Valley Corporation (DVC), TATA and National Thermal Power Corporation Ltd. (NTPC). Details for the annual quantum of power and average unit cost are given in the statement enclosed.

Quantum of Power and Average Cost/Unit of Traction of Various State Electricity Board's/Power Supply Authorities for the year 2001-2002

SI. No.	Name of SEBs purchased	Quantum of Power (in million units)	Average cost per unit (in Rs.)
1.	Andhra Pradesh Transmission Corporation	960.19	4.33
2.	Bihar State Electricity Board	242.59	5.31
3.	Delhi Vidyut Board	111.172	3.89
4.	Gujarat State Electricity Board	400.29	5.10
5.	Haryana Vidyut Prasaran Nigam	190.244	3.97
6.	Karnataka Power Transmission Corporation Ltd.	32.80	4.31
7.	Kerala State Electricity Board	46.48	1.86
8.	Maharashtra State Electricity Board	858.36	4.21
9.	Madhya Pradesh Electricity Board	1140.88	4.76
10.	Grid Corporation of Orissa	198.73	4.14

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

si. No.	Name of SEBs	Quantum of Power purchased (in million units)	Average cost per unit (in Rs.)
11.	Punjab State Electricity Board	78.849	4.15
12.	Rajasthan State Electricity Board	233.09	4.14
13.	Tamil Nadu Electricity Board	452.40	4.178
14.	Uttar Pradesh Power Corporation Ltd.	675.622	4.44
15.	West Bengal State Electricity Board	543.45	3.63
16.	Chhattisgarh State Electricity Board	458.54	5.25
17.	Jharkhand State Electricity Board	293.86	5.21
18.	TATA in Mumbai area	£78.32	3.56
19.	Demodar Valley Corporation	427.69	3.62
20.	National Thermal Power Corporation Ltd.	318.585	2.60
	GRAND TOTAL:	8342.142	4.27

Lease of surplus railway Land

1881.SHRI P. PRABHAKARREDDY:Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways have decided to lease out surplus lands in urban areas to developers for commercial plazas and multiplexes and that in rural areas to plantation companies on a revenue-sharing basis;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether the viewpoints of States, within whose jurisdiction the surplus lands are situated, have been consulted in the matter if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA): (a) and (b) Railways have decided to utilise some of its land for commerical use and plantation, where such potential exists to generate revenues for improving rail facilities. Certain sites have been identified and feasibility studies are being conducted in this regard and in some cases, bidding process has also been initiated.